NOMINATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Allison M. Macfarlane, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cardin, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

UNITED STATES-EUROPEAN UNION ECONOMIC RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States-European Union economic relations, focusing on crisis and opportunity, after receiving testimony from Robert D. Hormats, Under Secretary of State for Economic Growth, Energy and the Environment; Lael Brainard, Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs; and Jim Kolbe, The German Marshall Fund of the United States, and Douglas Rediker, Peterson Institute for International Economics, both of Washington, D.C.

IMPROVING RURAL FEDERAL HEALTH CARE

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on the Efficiency and Effectiveness of Federal Programs and the Federal Workforce concluded a hearing to examine improving Federal health care in rural America, focusing on developing the workforce and building partnerships, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Petzel, Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Health, Veterans Health Administration; Yvette Roubideaux, Acting

Director, Indian Health Service, and Tom Morris, Associate Administrator, Office of Rural Health Policy, Health Resources and Services Administration, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; Matt Kuntz, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Montana, Helena; and Ralph Ibson, Wounded Warrior Project, Washington, DC.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Charles R. Breyer, of California, Rachel Elise Barkow, of New York, and William H. Pryor, Jr., of Alabama, all to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Derek Anthony West, of California, to be Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice, and Valerie E. Caproni, of the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Senator Gillibrand, and Vernon S. Broderick, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 89 public bills, H.R. 2122–2210; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 234–241, were introduced. **Pages H2952–55**

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H2958-59

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Yoder to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Pastor Frank Hampton, Jr., Church of God, Jackson, Michigan.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Pages H2915, H2940

Smarter Solutions for Students Act: The House passed H.R. 1911, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish interest rates for new loans made on or after July 1, 2013, by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 198 noes, Roll No. 183.

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Rejected the Sinema motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 194 yeas to 223 nays, Roll No. 182.

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Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–12 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill.

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H. Res. 232, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 193 nays, Roll No. 181, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 224 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 180. Pages H2917-26

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

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National Council on the Arts—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Democratic Leader, in which she re-appointed Representative McCollum to the National Council on the Arts.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H2926.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2925–26, H2926, H2938–39, and H2939. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Committee Meetings MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a markup on H.R. 1960, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014". The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

Subcommittee on Subcommittee on Readiness held a markup on H.R. 1960, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014". The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

EXAMINING DRUG COMPOUNDING

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Examining Drug Compounding". Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, M.D., Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a markup on H.R. 2052, the "Global Investment in American

Jobs Act of 2013". Testimony was heard from Janet Woodcock, M.D., Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration; and public witnesses. The bill was forwarded, as amended.

Subcommittee on Commerce Manufacturing, and Trade held a markup on Wednesday, May 22, 2013 on the following bills: H.R. 2061, the "Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2013"; H.R. 568, to amend titled 5, United States Code, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit an annual report to Congress relating to the use of official time by Federal employees; H.R. 1380, the "Access to Congressionally Mandated Reports Act"; H.R. 2067, the "Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau Personnel Flexibilities Act"; and H.R. 1171, the "FOR VETS Act of 2013". The following bills were forwarded, as amended: H.R. 2061; H.R. 568; and H.R. 1380. The following bills were forwarded, without amendment: H.R. 2067 and H.R. 1171.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing on discussion drafts of the following legislation: H.R. 1135, the "Burdensome Data Collection Act"; H.R. 1105, the "Small Business Capital Access and Job Preservation Act"; and H.R. 1564, the "Audit Integrity and Job Protection Act"; and legislation regarding Section 913 of the Dodd-Frank Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S.-MEXICO SECURITY COOPERATION: AN OVERVIEW OF THE MERIDA INITIATIVE 2008–PRESENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere held a hearing entitled "U.S.-Mexico Security Cooperation: An Overview of the Merida Initiative 2008–Present". Testimony was heard from William R. Brownfield, Assistant Secretary, Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, Department of State; John D. Feeley, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; Elizabeth Hogan, Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean, U.S. Agency for International Development; Clare R. Seelke, Specialist in Latin American Affairs, Congressional Research Service; and public witnesses.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PAIN-CAPABLE UNBORN CHILD PROTECTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on The Constitution and Civil Justice held a hearing on H.R. 1797, the "District of Columbia Pain-Capable